

10 pmol of an oligonucleotide with the nucleotide sequence of 5' TTCCTCTTCCCGAAGCTGTGACTGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:13) as an anti-sense primer, which was chemically synthesized similarly as above, were mixed and volume up to 50 μ l with sterilized distilled water. After incubating at 94°C for one min, the mixture was subjected to 5 cycles of incubations at 94°C for 25 sec and at 72°C for 4 min, followed by 22 cycles of incubations at 94°C for 25 sec and at 67°C for 4 min to perform PCR for amplifying a DNA fragment of the present genomic DNA. The genomic DNA library and reagents for PCR used above were mainly from "PromoterFinder" DNA WALKING KITS", commercialized by CLONTECH Laboratories, Inc., California, USA.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 26, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--To the wells with the cells were distributed 0.05 ml aliquots of solutions of the polypeptide in Example 4-1, diluted with RPMI-1640 medium (pH 7.4) containing 10 v/v bovine fetal serum to give desired concentrations. 0.05 ml aliquots of fresh preparations of the same medium with or without 2.5 μ g/ml concanavalin A or 50 units/ml recombinant human interleukin 2 were further added to the wells, before culturing in a 5 v/v + CO incubator at 37°C for 24 hr. After the cultivation, 0.1 ml of the culture supernatant was